

# Campus rapes blasted; '83-'84 budget projected

By JOSEPH KEHOE  
City Editor

"We're here to stop the epidemic of restroom rapes at college campuses," Gloria Allred told the Los Angeles Community College District Board of Trustees at yesterday's public meeting held at Los Angeles Southwest College.

At the session, the board was also presented with a 1983-84 budget projection that states that the expected \$28 million deficit for next year has been reduced to \$16 million.

Allred, who is president of the Women's Equal Rights Legal Defense and Education Fund, was accompanied by two community college students who were recently raped.

"Apparently, rapists have decided that campus restrooms are ideal places for rapes," Allred said. She went on to read an extensive list of incidences in which district students had been raped, the most recent being the assault at Los Angeles City College last week.

The state of campus security is "shockingly inadequate," Allred stated.

Allred asked the board to increase the number of campus police officers, form a task force to study the problem, encourage student patrols, provide self-defense programs, and improve lighting at the 10 LACCD campuses.

The board responded by passing a resolution to direct its staff to immediately begin examining means to reduce the occurrence of rape at district colleges.

Later in the meeting, Thomas Fallo, vice chancellor of Business Services, presented the budget projections for 1983-84.

Hiring freezes, retirement incen-

tives, and reductions in non-salaried accounts are expected to cut more than \$12 million from the anticipated deficit, which now stands at \$28 million, the vice-chancellor said.

Fallo also outlined possible actions to deal with the remaining "\$16 million problem."

"This \$16 million deficit will be very difficult to erase," Fallo warned.

Among the options he discussed were the imposition of student fees, the sale of district property, salary reductions, employee furloughs, workload increases, a transition to a trimester system, personnel reduction, and the elimination of summer session.

Fallo's projections show that the district would lose an estimated 30,000 students if tuition is imposed

in the fall. The average daily attendance (ADA) income lost if these students leave the system would mean that tuition would provide the district with a net revenue of only \$2.7 million.

At press time last night, the board was still listening to public objections to trustee Monroe Richman's recent proposal to eliminate interscholastic athletics.

## Richman's proposal provokes controversy

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"There is no way we can continue the way we are going with the speculated additional cut in the sports budget," said George Goff, men's athletic director at Valley.

Goff was reacting to the letter drafted and circulated by Los Angeles Community College District Board Member Monroe Richman concerning the possibility of abolishing interscholastic sports in all 10 community colleges in the Los Angeles district and the probability of a large cut in the upcoming year's budget to ease the expected \$28 million deficit.

"He (Richman) was always and is anti-athletic and anti-sports," said Deidra Stark, women's athletic director at Valley.

Echoing this feeling was Goff, when he stated, "He (Richman) is making it a political issue."

As a matter of fact, Goff said, the district conducted an investigation to justify the allocation of funds to the sports budget.

However, the result of the survey indicated that the funds generated from sports (obtained from the state for the Average Daily Attendance of athletes, a basis on which the state allocates money to the colleges) more than covered the sports budget for 10 colleges, which is \$1.4 million, and even ended up with a \$28,000 surplus.

Presently the state provides the district with approximately \$150 for two units of sports for every athlete. If the figures are correct, the projected total would justify the amount, according to Goff.

Richman's letter, which was translated into a proposal discussed at yesterday's board meeting (see District story elsewhere on this page) includes a speculated 30 percent cut across the board of sports budgets throughout the 10 colleges in the district.

The motion, which will be implemented, would cost Valley College's sports budget approximately \$80,000.

"We will probably have to cut four sports," said Stark. "The anticipated cuts would be women's gymnastics, women's cross country, one women's team sports, and one women's individual sports."

She indicated the severity of these cuts is due to the fact that 80 percent of the women's sports budget doesn't vary (officials, transportation, and salaries, etc.).

As for the men's sports, Goff noted that no planning has been done to cut anything until a resolution is passed, but he added, "We cannot have that many sports."

Besides, he said, this year the men's team sports raised \$20,000 through fundraisers to support their activities.

In the past, the Associated Student Body used to give the Athletic Department \$70,000, but this aid

(please see Proposal, page 3)



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SWINGING INTO SUMMER—Valley College student Rahn Johnson, dressed in summer attire, hangs from a tree branch on Valley's campus. The prevailing sunshine, which has been scarce nearly all semester, was a welcome change to many Valley students who, among climbing trees, played frisbee and jogged throughout the Valley campus.

## Rape of LACC girl confirmed

By L. R. HAMILTON  
Copy Editor

The assault on a Los Angeles City College (LACC) student last Wednesday has been confirmed as a rape by doctors who performed the "sexual attack" examination following the incident, according to Lt. William Frommeling of LAPD's Rampart Division.

The 19-year-old victim was immediately released from Queen of Angels Hospital in Los Angeles, after being thoroughly examined by doctors and treated for a bump on the head.

According to LACC campus police, the victim was checked out of school and there is no word as to her present condition.

Further investigation by police has identified the suspect, 20-year-old Greg Montgomery of Compton, as a student of Los Angeles Trade Technical College.

Montgomery, who was shot and

killed during a fight with campus police officer Clyde Watson, had attacked Watson with a lead pipe, causing a severe gash on Watson's head, according to police reports.

Watson was taken to Hollywood Presbyterian Hospital, treated for head wounds and possible concussion, and released.

At this time there is no word on Watson's expected date of return to his position as he is still under doctor's care.

According to Lt. Frommeling, as of Monday police had "closed the case," however, in a direct contradiction, the office of the District Attorney said the investigation by their office is still pending.

District Attorney Dennis Pettet stated on Tuesday that "the case is still open."

"All shootings which involve police officers are thoroughly investigated... this is no different, we're simply following procedure."

## AFT responds to trustee's proposal

By JOSEPH KEHOE  
City Editor

Although it disagrees with his proposal to eliminate interscholastic athletics, the American Federation of Teachers (AFT) College Guild would most likely support Trustee Monroe Richman if an election were held tomorrow, according to Jim Hardesty, AFT executive secretary.

"While we (AFT) don't have a formal position on it, basically we've supported the (interscholastic athletic) program because of the fact that it generates revenues that equal or exceed its cost," Hardesty said.

"We are also not particularly supportive of wholesale cancellation of programs."

Richman, who had been endorsed by the AFT in last month's election, has said that "Before one academic program is cut or one individual is terminated, I intend to vigorously oppose ANY budget for in-

terscholastic athletics."

At a time when the Los Angeles Community College District is facing an expected \$28 million deficit for 1983-84, eliminating interscholastic sports would save \$1.4 million, according to Richman.

However, when contacted, Sylvia Lubow, AFT chapter chair at Valley College, expressed concern over the philosophy behind the plan.

"With the increasing cuts, our energies should be spent in fighting for more money in Sacramento."

"If, however, we are confronted with no more additional money, or less money, then we would have to look at what our priorities are," Lubow said.

Hardesty stated that the AFT supported Richman in his re-election bid knowing that this "particular action... was part of his long-term agenda."

"Being single-issue oriented is a rather short-sighted approach—you have to look on balance at the overall strengths and weaknesses of the candidates."

### CORRECTION

In the April 21 issue of the *Valley Star* the story on Club Day mistakenly referred to the Young Americans for Freedom booth as the Soviet Union booth.

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## U.S. involvement in Central America viewed at teach-in

By SABRA KYLE  
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United States intervention in Central and South American countries was the topic of a teach-in held in Monarch Hall Monday in honor of Chicano Awareness Week.

The event which was sponsored by ASB, Mecha, and CISPES drew a crowd of less than 100 students. Music by the controversial Latin band Savia, whose songs portray social and political protest were included in the day's activities.

Featured as guest speaker was Blase Bonpane. Bonpane, formerly a Catholic priest, is presently the director of the Office of the Americas, an organization dedicated to furthering the cause of justice and peace in the hemisphere through educational programs.

His talk began by speaking of the important role the knowledge of history plays in understanding America's involvement in Central American countries such as Nicaragua.

Bonpane said that our military has been occupying Nicaragua since 1971 when the concept of "dive-bombing" was being tested as a means of controlling "insurgent people."

"The United States eventually had to Nicaraguanize the occupation due to complaints from early senators," he said. "The way to do this was to find Nicaraguans who would be willing to work in total contempt of their own people; to maintain the economic and strategic interests of the U.S."

According to Bonpane, the United States occupations of Haiti, the Dominican Republic, Cuba, Guatemala, Brazil, and El Salvador, were not in the name of freedom. "Looking at these interventions, I cannot find any that had anything to do with the practice of democracy," he said.

"We have supported, and continue to support, dictatorships consistently, so when we hear the President speaking about El Salvador as a democracy, we see

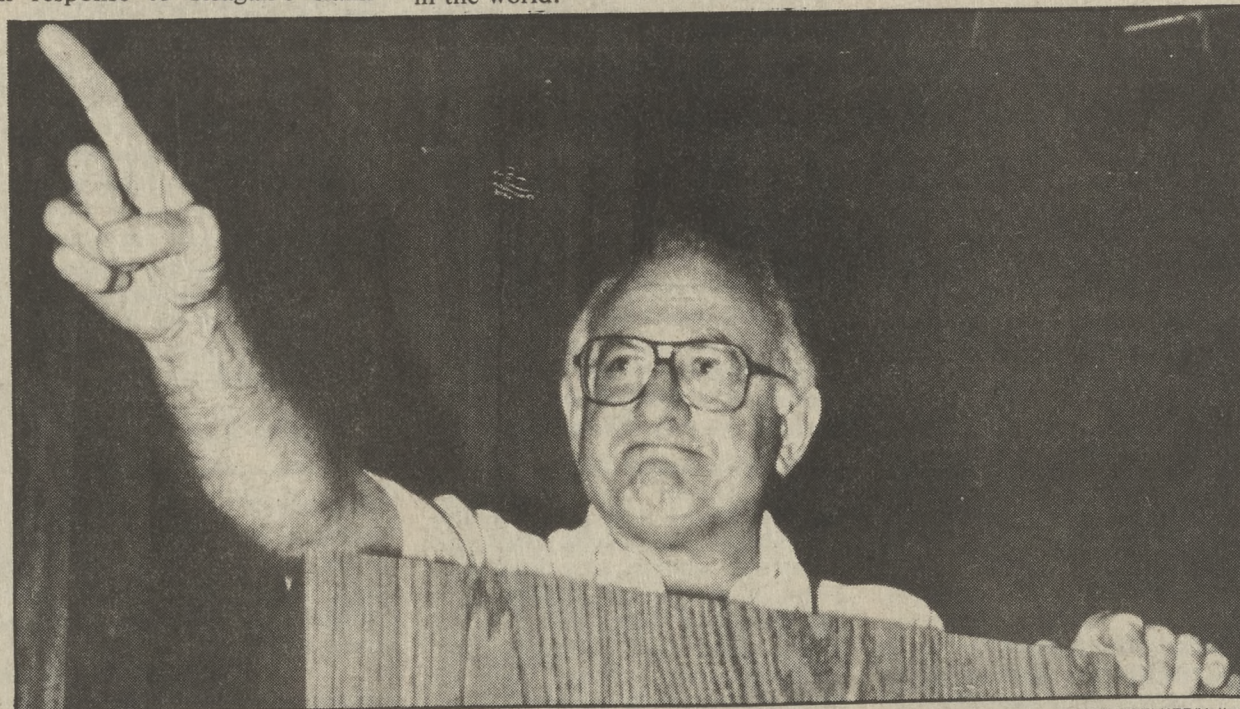
what his idea of democracy really is. "Reagan is referring to that country (El Salvador) as a democracy when 40,000 executions have taken place there and no one has been brought to justice."

"The people of Nicaragua are defending themselves against the vicious acts of the United States. I can't imagine anything more cowardly or vicious than the invasion of a country of 2.5 million people who are in dire poverty and who threaten no one," Bonpane said.

In response to Reagan's claim

that Nicaragua is supplying arms to El Salvador, Bonpane insisted these claims are false.

"The reasoning of the President is filled with flaws," he said. "He has mentioned the fact that Nicaragua is supporting the revolution in El Salvador but he has forgotten a piece of geography. Nicaragua and El Salvador are separated by Honduras, a U.S. military base. "Yet," he added, "Reagan has made El Salvador the number four recipient of military aid in the world."



BLASE BONPANE—spoke Tuesday about U.S. involvement in Central America at a teach-in on the current crisis in that country. The event was sponsored by ASB, MECHA, and CISPES and

included music by the controversial Latin band Savia, who sang of social and political protest.

### Valley Star Poll

## Athletic program elimination opposed

The vast majority of Valley College students oppose the idea of eliminating interscholastic athletics at the Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD), according to the findings of a *Valley Star* poll.

Over 85 percent of the 310 students questioned were against

cancelling the intercollegiate programs.

With the district facing an expected \$28 million deficit for next year, Trustee Monroe Richman has recently proposed such an action in order to save the schools an estimated \$1.4 million.

Many of those surveyed had strong opinions on the subject.

One student said, "If they're going to cut the budget, let them cut the administration—student programs have already been cut enough."

Should interscholastic athletics be eliminated in order to save money?

Yes	5.2%
No	86.8%
Undecided	8.0%



## STAR EDITORIALS

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## An end to ASB poll tax

An essential element in any democracy is the right that citizens have to express their views through the use of the ballot. The individual's right to vote, to have a say in what goes on around him, regardless of his race, sex, creed, or economic status, is undoubtedly the backbone of a free and just society.

If measured by these standards, however, the system of student government practiced at Valley College is at best only pseudo-democratic.

Elections for positions on the Associated Student Body (ASB) Executive Council are less than two weeks away, but only 2,000 of the nearly 25,000 students at Valley will be eligible to vote. Only those students who have paid the ASB membership fee will be allowed to participate in the electoral process.

This system is both elitist and anachronistic.

For ASB to only permit its members to take part in elections is the equivalent of the U.S. government charging a poll tax—a tax that the Supreme Court has ruled to be unconstitutional.

Such a voting fee, apart from being contrary to the basic precepts of democracy, also serves to encourage the growth of apathy. It is difficult enough to combat indifference under the best circumstances, but when a student's access to his government is unnecessarily restricted, it becomes easy to fall prey to apathy.

Moreover, although inflation may have made \$7 seem like a small amount, for many students who are on a fixed income it can still help pay for a textbook or some other scholastic necessity.

Without a question, ASB members should be granted certain privileges (i.e., special discounts for school and sportse events) in return for helping to support student government.

However, as cliché as it sounds, voting is not a privilege but a right. And all students should be allowed to exercise that right.

The sooner ASB realizes this, the sooner it will begin to resemble a student government rather than a closed, select club.



**Yes** The implementation of a trimester system would alleviate the problem of the non-alignment and overlapping of semester schedules with the California State University system.

By PHIL AMMANN  
Entertainment Editor

Replacing the two-semester educational system which is currently being used at Valley College with a trimester system, and offering students a choice of attending two of three trimesters of approximately 16 weeks in length, is a proposal that will clear up a problem that has plagued the Community College system for years.

It is the inability of the Los Angeles Community College system to correlate with many of the schools in the California University system that pose difficulties for transfer students.

A number of community college students have one major goal, to transfer credits gained to four year institutions. The popular school with Valley transfer students is the California State University at Northridge. Many of these people hope to achieve a bachelors or masters degree, yet the main difficulty for them is to make the actual change over to Northridge's schedule.

The times just don't match.

What results is an overlapping of semesters with Valley's finals running into the beginning of the Northridge trimester.

The result is a shuttling between campuses, the rushed

Pro and Con  
Trimester versus semester

By SIMON-JACQUES IFERGAN  
Associate News Editor

When the Los Angeles Community Colleges opened their doors, their system was geared to meet the need of the 18-year-old high school graduate by facilitating his transfer to a four-year university.

It is 1983, times have changed.

The majority of the community college population is over 30 years of age. The average student is 32, working in the outside world, taking his time in his educational goals, and expecting the community college to meet his need.

What has transpired? Presently, a proposal has been circulating favoring the trimester system. A 16-week trimester would replace the usual 20-week semester, and class sessions would be longer.

What is all this fracas? A great majority of the community college students hold a job to support themselves. In a way, they compete to survive in the rat race, which is of paramount importance.

When they participate in school activities, they want to break that hectic routine. They take five or six units

because they enjoy it, especially in this laid-back environment. They don't want to rush themselves.

This majority doesn't plan to transfer to a four-year university. Their goal is to better themselves one step at a time. They surely don't expect to see the same pace that has been facing them in the outside world. Forcing them to learn a condensed 20-week session in 16 weeks may deter many applicants.

A perfect example is the night student. He just wants to further his studies at his own pace. He surely doesn't need to make more sacrifices.

As for the students over the age of 60, the problem is similar. Coming to school for them is a hobby that is relaxing (and time consuming). A necessity for certain individuals, it is a community get-together for them.

One thing we must realize, is that the community colleges are not just the stepping stone to higher education. They are the stomping ground for many who prefer starting school in mid-September rather than mid-August. If a degree is of paramount importance, California state universities are numerous.

If the trimester proposal is implemented, it will mean forcing every student to start school in mid-August.

Are the community colleges catering to the elite groups or to the masses—the community?

## Letters to the Editor

## A different view of Nicaragua under the Sandinistas

Dear Editor,

God help us all if students actually believe the drivel that is flowing from a certain history professor, (Star "Professor, class plan summer trip to embattled Sandinista Nicaragua," April 28.). "... We want it to be known," this professor said, "that not all Americans are trying to control the lives of the Nicaraguan people."

He declared, "We believe people have the right to control their own lives, this includes the people of Nicaragua." Yet, if this were so, why is the Yankee professor intervening in the internal affairs of other countries now?

It is common knowledge that the Marxist-Sandinist government of Nicaragua has betrayed its own people.

Former Sandinist Hero Eden Pastora, alias Commandante Cero, who helped overthrow the brutal Somoza, is returning to his homeland to help fight the leftist regime which he helped found, UPI reported.

Mr. Pastora wants liberty and democracy and wants his people to decide for themselves who will rule. This is, of course, contrary to the

Marxist-Leninist view, which Nicaragua's junta has proudly adopted.

The United States, pro-Marxist Sandinist government supporters somehow forget, has given over 200 million dollars in aid to Sandinist Nicaragua! More money than any other country.

President Ronald Reagan was indeed correct when he recently declared: "... The government of Nicaragua has imposed a new dictatorship; it has refused to hold the elections it promised; ... it denied the bishops and priests of the Roman Catholic Church the right to say Mass on radio during Holy Week; it insulted and mocked the Pope; it has driven the Miskito Indians from their homelands—burning their villages, destroying their crops, and forcing them into involuntary internment camps far from home; it has moved ... against labor unions ..."

On April 8, 1983, the New York Times printed an article, "Sandinists Lose Ground Among Middle Class."

The Times reported that Violeta Barrios de Chamorro, a former member of the Sandinist junta and

widow of Pedro Joaquin Chamorro Cardenal, editor of *La Prensa*, recently stated: "press censorship was now worse than during the long rule of the Somoza Government." Her husband was a critic of the Somoza Government, but was assassinated by the Sandinists a year and a half before they came to power.

When Pope John Paul II visited Nicaragua recently, *Newsweek Magazine* reported: "At a huge outdoor mass, the Sandinists provided him with large backdrops of revolutionary chants—despite his cries for silence—that nearly drowned him out."

It would appear that what the United States and the Nicaraguan people do not need is misguided Americans who think they would like to "help" the Nicaraguan "people." These Americans would not be helping the people, but they would be helping to maintain a totalitarian regime.

Mr. Eden Pastora is the one who really commands our respect and our prayers. He wants free unions, free press, free elections, and so on. He truly loves his people.

David Tulanian

## Rape: Stop learning to be victims, warns student; self defense techniques essential

Dear Editor:

According to last week's article, "A sickness in the land," (*Valley Star*, April 21) that "rape will continue to thrive" is true, but rape can be prevented.

In this society, little girls were brought up not to be pushy or assertive and to always let the opposite sex have the upper hand. A woman should be able to say "no" firmly and assertively.

Here are some tips for the prevention of rape. Dress sensibly, and

there is a fine line between provocative and sensible dressing. Know some self-defense skills or enroll in a self-defense class. (They

**"A woman should know how to say 'no' firmly and assertively."**

have them here at Valley.) Also, there are legal weapons that can be used, such as a long hat pin to jab at face or neck of the rapist. A lighted

## Punishment fit crime in April 27 police killing of alleged L.A. City College rapist

Editor:

I would like to thank Linda Hamilton, Joseph Kehoe, and Wendy Taber for their unique story coverage of "The attempted rape ends in death."

This story brings up a feeling of justice in me. I don't like to hear stories of how rapists are let out on small amounts of bail. Surely other women don't either. My personal feelings are very strong on this sub-

ject. Those trashy, sick, demented persons know full well what they are doing and that is wrong. Should we as a responsible society allow them to do it again? If not what should we do with them? I realize that the rapist or potential rapist is a person just like you or me but this time I am glad to know this guy bit the bullet if you know what I mean.

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cigarette, use on his face. Try a plastic lemon filled with ammonia and aim for his eyes. It will induce temporary blindness. Keys are good too. Carry in hand with ends sticking out through the fingers. Use a blow of the fist or scrape across hand or face.

With these tactics, the rape crime will decrease.

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## AFT rebuttal

The American Federation of Teachers, College Guild, is pleased that the *Star*, in its editorial of April 28, 1983, showed its concern with the progress of current contract negotiations between the faculty, represented by the Guild and the Board of Trustees of the LACCD. Obviously and most importantly, it is the education of the students that suffers when instructors are forced to teach under increasingly demoralizing working conditions.

However, the position taken by the *Star* editorial is confusing and grossly distorts the reality.

1. Dr. Virginia Mulrooney, President of the Union and its chief negotiator, did not take a leave of absence during this period. She agreed to assume professional duties

during a sorely needed personal vacation. These duties were twofold. First, she was invited by members of the British educational system and by British trade union leaders to speak on the PACE program. This highly successful District program, introduced here by the Guild, and organized, taught and supervised by its members, gives full time working people an opportunity to receive a college education and enlarge the depth and breadth of their lives. As a result of Dr. Mulrooney's presentation, there is great international interest in the development of similar programs. Secondly, she agreed to evaluate one of the District's overseas programs in Madrid. In the past, the Board of Trustees has sent and paid for administrators to visit and examine these overseas efforts. Most

recently, the Board recognized the need for such evaluations by those most competent to judge the educational content of these programs, namely, the faculty. Since Dr. Mulrooney was already to be in Europe, the District saved money by authorizing her to assume this role.

2. More importantly, as I explained to the editor of the *Star* when she interviewed me on this matter, the Union's negotiating team is composed of faculty with knowledge and experience at the bargaining table. Many of them are serving in this capacity for the third time round. The positions they take are the results of months of faculty input. This negotiating team, with or without the presence of any given member, takes its direction from the Executive Board of the Union. Without denying the important con-

tributions of Dr. Mulrooney, nonetheless, the faculty power and influence, whether as a negotiating team or as a union, depend upon our collective efforts and contributions, rather than upon any single individual. Furthermore, until the state legislature determines the state allocation for community colleges, there will be no meaningful movement on money matters at the negotiating table. This will not occur until July or August. So, in fact, this period of negotiations is the best time for a vacation for the chief negotiator who works a twelve month year.

All of us, faculty and student alike, hopes that negotiations will be concluded rapidly with a contract which is most beneficial to the quality of education in the LACCD. This can best be served by a student

body which better understands the problems and needs of its faculty. It is not well served by a paper which takes cheap shots at its faculty, undermining rather than strengthening education.

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## LETTERS

The Valley Star is happy to receive and publish letters from its readers.

Star reserves the right to condense all letters for space consideration. Submitted letters should be limited to 350 words. Letters are subject to editing if they are obscene, libelous, or make racial, ethnic, or religious denigrations.

Letters should be signed and, if applicable, should include student's major and ID number. Letters may be presented in the Valley Star office, Business Journalism 114, by 11 a.m. Monday for the following Thursday.



# Villa elected head of Faculty Association

By SUSAN GOLANY  
Staff Writer

Maryamber S. Villa, professor of history has been elected to a three year term as president of Valley's Faculty Association and chairperson of the Faculty Senate.

According to Villa, "Our district's Faculty Senates are among the most active in the State."

She explained that Faculty Senates were established by legislation in the State's education codes.



MARYAMBER S. VILLA

"Their purpose is to give faculties a formal way of participating in the formation of education policy, curriculum planning, and other academic and professional matters, such as budget and affirmative action. We also represent the faculty to the administration and to the Los Angeles Community College District's Board of Trustees."

Villa taught at Valley since 1966 and has been a member of the Faculty Senate for over 10 years. She has served on numerous district and state education advisory committees. She currently teaches survey courses in the history of western civilization and humanities.

Villa was graduated with honors from Pierce College and in 1965 received her master's degree from UCLA.

She is an unabashed enthusiast of community college education. "I feel that the preparation and encouragement I got from the faculty at Pierce was superior to what my younger sister was receiving from the graduate students who were teaching the introductory courses at UCLA."

## Mazor heads west, accepts new post

By PEGGY WAGONER  
Staff Editor

Anatol Mazor, dean of student services, will be transferring to West Los Angeles Community College, according to an announcement made at Tuesday's Associated Student Body executive council meeting.

"It's going to be a blow to our student services," said ASB President Derek Swafford. "As you know, we've been getting a lot of retirees and a lot of people leaving us."

Mazor's office refused to comment on Swafford's statements.

Also discussed at the meeting was SB 161, the proposed "sin tax," a measure that would add a 5-cent tax to cigarettes to help fund California education. According to Swafford, State Senator Alan Robbins is "negotiating with senators to put a package together" which would direct SB 161 revenues to "the whole educational system."

Candidates running for the open positions on the executive council for Fall '83 were also discussed at the meeting.

"Candidates in the upcoming election won't face much competition this year," said Evan Pennet, commissioner of elections. "We do

"The percentage of community college transfer students who receive their B.A. are the same as the supposed 'cream of the crop' who enter the state universities as freshmen, about 40 percent," she explained. "I truly enjoy teaching here, I would even like to be President of Valley some day."

have one contested race though—for the Los Angeles Community College District student trustee post, which is a paid position." According to Pennet, Jerilyn Stapleton, current commissioner of women's studies, and Linda Pond, a student at Valley, have filed for the position.

As for the upcoming ASB elections, Jeff Kaplan, current commissioner of social activities, has filed for the position of President of ASB.

## On-location course offered this summer in Hawaii by VC

By CAROLINE MIRANDA  
Staff Writer

The LAVC Earth Science Department will offer a three-unit course of study entitled "The Natural History of the Hawaiian Islands" this summer on location in Hawaii.

The class will be team taught from Aug. 3 through Aug. 18 by Ronald Bigelow, associate professor of biology, and Richard Raskoff, associate professor of geography.

The itinerary includes visits to

### News Notes Handicap Awareness Day

Handicap Awareness Day will be held Tuesday, May 10, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Speakers, demonstrations, and activities will highlight the event. There will be guest appearances by Dave Riley, coach and player of championship wheelchair basketball, and Eve Charm, from G.L.A.D. (Greater Los Angeles Council of Deafness). The Los Angeles Fire Department and Abbey Rents also will appear.

### Drop

The last day to drop classes is tomorrow, May 6.

### Chancellor's Colloquium

The Chancellor's Colloquium will be held in Monarch Hall today from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

"Changing the Right to Fail: A Mandate for Transfer Success." Representatives from CSU, USC, and the Los Angeles Unified School District will discuss what the other segments of Secondary and Higher Education are going to do.

## Woman rabbi talks Judaism

By JOANNE FRY  
Staff Writer

"Judaism and feminism" was the topic of the lecture given by Rabbi Pat Carlin, associate director of UCLA Hillel, last Tuesday. The lecture was sponsored by Eta Beta Rho, the campus chapter of the National Hebrew Honor Society.

Carlin is one of 61 women rabbis who have been ordained by the Reformed and Reconstructed branches of Judaism since 1972.

According to Carlin, the issue of Judaism and feminism is very complex.

"I stand before you as one who studies the Torah, one who goes to Shoel, one who spends a lot of time teaching Jewish text."

"In some sense I see myself as an alternative figure and in other senses completely mainstream," she said. "There are a number of women who struggle with this question. Feminism and Judaism are two words that are very hard to define."

"There are 61 women who have been ordained as rabbis who have been trying to think through what these questions mean, not just on a global level, but also on a personal level."

Carlin said that she discovered that the most important issue people were contending with was that of the image and appearance of women rabbis.

"It raises the issue of how to bring together a completely new image, a completely new lifestyle, and at the same time remain authentically Jewish," Carlin said.

"There is a kind of liberation in studying to be a woman rabbi. There is no fixed image of what a rabbi should look like. You don't have a sense that this is going to be a man with a beard with arms outstretched over the flock. It just wouldn't work, so we just don't try it."

"To be standing up without the image of what it means to be a rabbi, to have a new image is very threatening to the old image. I think that there are some men who are terrified by that and others who welcome it."

## Renter's rights to be discussed

By CAROLE BREYDE  
Staff Writer

"Your Rights as a Renter" and "How to Find Your Own Apartment" will be the topics covered by Mary Lee, representative for the San Fernando Fair Housing Council, according to Ken Ashford, president of the Black Student Union, who spoke at the Student Body Senate (SBS) recently.

Lee, program specialist and housing coordinator, will discuss essential points in connection with eviction notices, 30 day notices, and rights as a renter in connection with a condominium conversion.

The meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 24 at 11 a.m. to noon in FL 112.

Also on the agenda is an interracial dating workshop, which is scheduled for Tuesday May 10 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. It will be an open forum moderated by Pat Allen, of the Sociology department, in BS 101.

Jerilyn Stapleton, representative of the Women's Concern Caucus spoke of the coalition between the Women's Concern Caucus and the Broadcasting Club to save the television program, "Cagney and Lacey."

Jeff Kaplan, commissioner of social activities, said that the Associated Student Body Comedy-Variety Show, being held at Monarch Hall on Thursday, May 19, has had nearly all the spots filled and about \$300 worth of door prizes has been donated. He is hoping for "student body support for fellow students."

## Gay panel discusses lifestyles at annual Gay Awareness Day

By CAROLINE MIRANDA  
Staff Writer

Coming out of the closet was the main theme of the Gay and Lesbian Student Union panel discussion held yesterday in Monarch Hall as part of the second annual Gay, Lesbian Awareness Day.

Laura Esquivel, co-chairperson of the event, said, "The purpose of the Awareness Day is to educate the campus. The visibility factor is really important. This is an opportunity for heterosexuals to ask gays questions that heterosexuals have wondered about all their lives (about gay lifestyles)."

Lesbian activist and keynote speaker Ivy Bottini said, "It is important to break down the stereotypes of who gay and lesbian people are."

The panel noted that one does not wake up one day to discover he or she is homosexual. "Being gay is not caused by your environment," said panelist Julie Street. "It is something inside you that says, 'I am different.'"

Esquivel said she admitted she was a lesbian when she was 14. She

added that once her parents got over their initial shock to her revelation, they became very supportive.

The panelists said they have rejected traditional male and female stereotypes. "I am not more masculine, nor my life partner more

feminine," said Bottini.

Bob May, co-chairperson of the Awareness Day, said, "All the rules are off. Nothing says I have to act out the same lifestyle (as traditional heterosexual relationships)."



WORLD TRAVELER?—Maybe not, but this compact has probably logged more miles in Valley College parking lots than most cars do on a southland freeway in a year. Last semester Leon Singer made Valley's Dean's List for an unprecedented

19th time. Shouldn't a car that has transported a loyal Valley student for 20 semesters get similar recognition?

## Phoenix Flyer soars; budget cuts overcome

By CAROLINE MIRANDA  
Staff Writer

The Phoenix Flyer, an electric powered tram which carries handicapped students to and from campus classrooms, is expected to continue transporting students, despite funding cutbacks.

The tram carries a maximum of nine disabled students, including the blind and those in wheelchairs. George Kopoulos, administrator of community resources, saw a need to enable disabled students to traverse the 100-acre campus and implemented the Phoenix Flyer in 1981. He noted that "because of the Phoenix Flyer, this is the most accessible of the 10 community colleges."

The vehicle was named after the Phoenix, the mythical bird symbolic of rebirth.

Kopoulos started the Phoenix Flyer program with grant money. Although funding cutbacks will force a change in the service, Jack Oliver, coordinator of handicapped special services, said, "We will retain the service. The problem is we do not have the funds for a full-time driver, so we will have to find alternate ways of providing the service. I am trying to raise money from

private foundations to keep a full-time driver." He noted that the service will probably be reduced next semester.

According to an article in the March 24 issue of the *Valley Star*, the Phoenix Flyer currently has one full-time driver, Don Kerian, who waits outside the classroom buildings to take students to and from their classes.

### Proposal . . .

(Continued from page 1)

has decreased to this year's low of \$7,500.

Bitter feelings about the proposal were felt among some coaches at other colleges in the district.

"The district took over the student store and the snack stand in recent years," explained Butler, a coach at West Los Angeles Community College. "Before we used to get a lot of money from those two things; now we have to raise a minimum of \$15,000 a year on our own to go for the team."

Jim Stephens, head basketball coach, commented as well.

"If I were the athletic director, I'd cut football. It takes up the majority of the athletic budget."

## Summer Session gets green light

Two Summer School sessions will be offered this year in the Community College District, it was announced by Chancellor Leslie Koltai at yesterday's Board of Trustees meeting.

A regular six-week Summer Session will extend from June 20 to July 29.

A second Summer Session of four weeks is scheduled for Aug. 1 through Aug. 26.

This second session is a "theme Summer School" session, focusing on incoming high school students, orienting them to the college and, secondly, focusing on the 3 R's, reading, writing, and arithmetic, as well as English as a Second Language.

The budget allowance at Valley for this year's Summer Session is approximately two-thirds of last

year's budget, or \$210,000. Dean of Instruction Edwin Young has stated.

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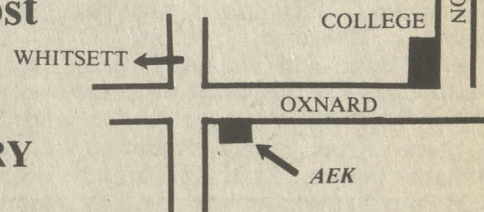
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# Punks play for God

**THE JESUS-PUNK CONNECTION**— "Everyone is telling the world about God but no one is telling the punks," said Allen Pellerin, lead singer of The Scaterd-Few, a Punk Rock band that uses its music to spread the word of the Lord. The Scaterd-Few, along with another Christian-Punk band, Immortal Youth, sang their version of the Gospel at Valley College's Free Speech Area last week. Shown are Scaterd-Few members (top-bottom) Pellerin, Bryan Anderson, and Ramald Domkus.

By TONI HOLIDAY  
Staff Writer

Photos by JACK CAPUTO/Valley Star

"I think they are reaching the unreachable."

So were the comments that described the mood for a unique concert held at Valley College's Free Speech Area last week, which combined two unusual elements—Christianity and Punk Rock.

"We are here at Valley College to tell everybody about God. People of educational background should know that God is true," said Allen Pellerin, lead singer of the Scaterd-Few, who along with Immortal Youth attempted to spread the word of the Lord to a crowd of approximately 50 persons.

Stressing "the fact that He loves you," many of the lyrics of the songs performed, with titles such as "God Gave Us Life" and "Division of the Church" tried to emphasize the relationship between Jesus and Punks.

"We are not pushing any certain church, or any kind of organized religion," said Immortal Youth guitarist Pat Taylor. "All we want to do is tell people what Jesus is doing for us so they can be complete also."

"We are here to tell people about God, not religion," added Pellerin.

The idea of using Punk Rock as a conveyance for Christianity has met

with some controversy, making the Valley concert hard to publicize.

Hoping to avoid possible confrontations with people who feel that music shouldn't promote religion, the Campus Christian Fellowship Club, who sponsored the event, decided to refrain from any advanced word regarding the concert.

"People don't like the idea of someone telling them about God," said Lou Becaria, the member of the Christian Fellowship who co-ordinated the Immortal Youth/Scaterd-Few concert, "nor do they like the idea of Punk Rock."

Although the potential for opposition by people who dislike Punk Rock existed, reaction to the idea of Religious Punk has been favorable overall.

"We have mixed responses to the Christian/Punk theme," said Taylor, "most punks like our music and a lot of them are curious to find

out more details about our theme."

Some of the more negative responses came through at last week's concert.

"I think their main outlook turns people off," said Carlos Gort, "it's not the type of music that would really convey the message of Christianity. I don't like the way they go about it."

However, most of the audience attending the concert felt that the union of rock and religion can be channeled towards a purpose.

"It was very shocking," said Dan Johnson, "I thought it was a put-on, but I saw these guys are serious."

"It's neat that people into rock can be into Jesus Christ," commented Mike Saurer, who was also on hand for the concert, "...and not into sex and drugs that most rock music implies."

## Callboard

### Campus Concerts

This week's campus concerts offer a variety of musical flavors.

Thurs., 5/5—Neva Pilgrim, soprano, and Dr. Robert Chauls, piano. Music Recital Hall, 11 a.m.

Sun., 5/8—The Music of Dr. Robert Chauls, Music Recital Hall, 3 p.m.

Tues., 5/10—LAVC High School Choral Festival, Monarch Hall, 7 p.m.

### Opps! Wrong Number

In the April 21 edition of Callboard we incorrectly gave the phone number of Executive Casting, referring to the extras needed. The correct number is 876-5994. Sorry for the inconvenience this error caused.

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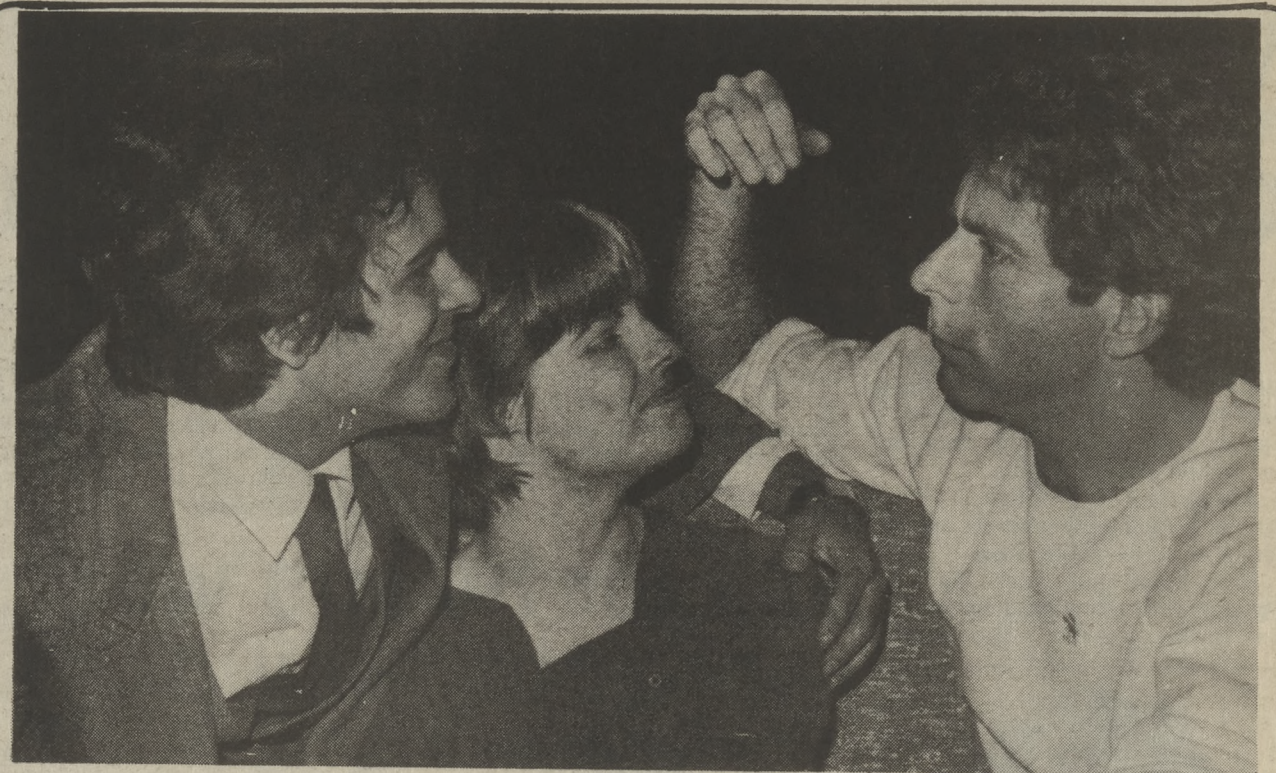


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**NEST OPENS** . . . "Love Nest For Three," a comedy by John Patrick, is scheduled to open tonight in Valley's Horseshoe Theater at 8:30 p.m. Directed by John Larson, it is billed as a madcap comedy set in a fictitious New York apartment building. It is an ensemble play where the actors have a chance to demonstrate, not only their comedic talents, but also their wide range of dialectic training. The cast features (l to r) Peter Ackerman, Theresa Pegues, and David Wall. "Nest" will continue through Saturday with repeat performances next weekend.

## 'You Are Not Alone'—film a tasteful show of gay love



Photo courtesy of LEE RISEMBERG

**ANOTHER KIND OF LOVE**—Gay love is tastefully portrayed in "You Are Not Alone," a Danish film about the relationship between two school-age boys, Anders Agenso and Peter Bjerg.

The Bisocial Students of Valley College will be presenting "You Are Not Alone," a Danish film which chronicles the loving friendship between two school-age boys.

"The most powerful statement of the movie," says Lee Risemberg, president of the Bisocial Students Club, "is that their gay love is good and healthy."

The film will be shown as a part of the regular meetings of the Bisocial Students of Valley College, which are held Tuesdays at 11 a.m. in CC 207.

The presentation dates are part one, May 10, part two, May 17 (to be held in CC 203), and part three on May 24. The admission is free.

Part One will be shown Tuesday, May 10, at 11 a.m. in CC207. The showing is sponsored by the Bisocial Students of Valley College. Above are (l-r) Agenso and Bjerg.

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## Portfolio winners named in Art Gallery showing

By LISA SHAMES  
Staff Writer

"Overall quality and consistency," were the main criteria in judging the portfolio art contest held April 25, according to gallery director Dennis Reed.

Reed, along with June Harwood, Henry Klein, Judy Von Euer, Joseph Bavarro, Thomas Mossman, and Herb Rabbin, all LAVC Art Department staff members, were the judges for the contest.

In order to qualify for the contest, students had to submit a portfolio of between 8 to 10 works.

"It was important for the entire portfolio to be good, not just one or two works," said Reed.

There were a total of 16 winners in the contest. First place went to Rebecca Chenoweth; second to David Pascal and Thomas Divine; third went to Terri Harrow and Mary Peterson.

Stacy Kroot, Billy Robinson, Juliana Perner, Rick Rockbrune, and Patti Akesson took fourth. Jose Martinez, Kathy Gill, Denise De Groff, Tuong Hua, Iris Feller, and Chris Taylor were in fifth place.

Gift certificates in varying amounts were awarded. The certificates were donated by Carter-Sexton, World Supply, Canvas Peddler, The May Co., and Duttons Books.

Along with gift certificates the winners will have some of their works displayed in an art show at Valley.

First place winner Chenoweth wants art to be, "a career for her." Fifth place winner Feller and Chenoweth laughingly said, "We might open a studio together."

Pascal, who took second place, was ASB commissioner of fine arts last semester, presently works in the graphic arts field.

"I hope to have my own design studio," he added.

De Groff, who placed fifth, wants to, "influence people with my art in a political way." For her art is definitely in her future career plans.

The art show started April 25 and continues through May 5. A second show starts May 16 and will continue through May 26. The show is being held in the LAVC Art Gallery, and admission is free.

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# Tennis star remembered

By JANICE MILLER  
Associate Sports Editor

Twelve years have passed since the death of Valley's tennis hall of famer Charles Rombeau, but his achievements linger on.

A special memorial plaque stands in front of the LAVC Tennis Complex. The plaque reads: "In memoriam Charles Rombeau, city high school champion, Captain L.A.V.C. tennis team 1961, J.C. State Champion 1962-64. 5-11-72. This court is dedicated to the memory of 'Chuck' by his friends."

Charles Rombeau came from a closely knit family of four boys, three of which became tennis players.

"Chuck" as he was called by his friends began playing tennis when he was nine years old. He unlike other athletes was not born talented, he just worked hard to be good.

Dedicated to the love of tennis, Rombeau played a number of junior tournaments while attending North Hollywood high school, and in the late '50's he became City High School State Champion.

Later, he went to Valley, to become J.C. State doubles and singles champion. With inspiration from Valley's former tennis coach Al "Ace" Hunt, Rombeau played at USC and in 1963 became NCAA champion of one of the greatest collegiate teams of all times.

USC went undefeated that

season. Topping UCLA in the national championship stopping players such as Arthur Ashe, Dennis Ralston, and Charlie Pasarell.

In his senior year at USC, Rombeau had a seizure during finals. He was diagnosed as an epileptic. Though being treated medically for epilepsy, Rombeau continued to have seizures.

The tennis star went on to graduate USC in 1964 and died seven years later at age 28. His death was due to a late detected brain tumor.

Coach Hunt, who had always liked Rombeau insisted that a tennis court be dedicated to him while he was still alive.

Hunt petitioned to the State Board who rejected his plea. The board insisted that a person be deceased for a minimum of two years before a dedication could be made.

Hunt appalled by this, personally took up a collection among the coaches and staff. Finally he did get the approval but well after Rombeau's death.

Hunt coached Rombeau's other two brothers William and Jimmy. William was both City High School and Conference Champion, who later toured the pro circuit in Europe, and now heads the Racquet Center in North Hollywood.

"Chuck was well liked and a great person, besides being my brother," said William.

Jimmy was the National 18-year-

old champion and J.C. State champion, who in 1967 went 31-0 for the conference, duplicating Chuck's record from '61.

Coach Hunt shortly after attending the dedication ceremony in 1972, left Valley to head the Sunset

Hills Country Club.

Hunt still coaches today at age 73. "I can still remember Chuck out there on the court, playing so hard, you just had to take notice of him . . . he was a wonderful human being, I'll never forget him."

## Sports Briefs

### Swimmers surface in ninth

The men's and women's swim teams concluded a very successful season last week, finishing in ninth place at the Southern California championships. Bill Lees, who had an awesome year, both in water polo and swimming, was the only Monarch to qualify for the state finals. Both Lees and Bob Frappa have a shot at making JC all-Americans. The only two women who competed in the meet for the Monarchs were Becky Bridges and Coleen Hazlett. Coleen came within one-tenth of a second of breaking the school record in the 50 meter backstroke. Coach Krauss looks forward to next season as he pointed out that the majority of swimmers who scored for the team this year are freshmen and should be back next season.

### Hancock edges Valley

In a non-conference baseball game, the Bulldogs of Hancock College topped Valley College 9-8. For Scott Muckey it was a chance to allow some of his non-regulars to get some playing time. Greg Martin and Don Spadoni did the bulk of the pitching. Ray Jones picked up the loss in the 11th inning as Bulldog Mario Furnani singled to score Bill Stevenson to break the 8-8 deadlock.

### Backs to the wall

The baseball team is coming into the most important two games of this season as they host Mission College on Thursday and then travel to Moorpark College on Saturday. The Monarchs are a full game behind first place Canyons in the Mountain Valley. Canyons defeated Mission in a playoff game earlier this week to decide the first half champion. The Monarchs need to finish in at least a tie for first place in the second half to have a chance to go to the state playoffs.



MONARCH HALL OF FAMER—Charles Rombeau, shown here in 1961, was the junior college state champion at Valley. Ten years later he died a tragic death at the young age of 28.

## Players honored

Five Monarchs were honored Tuesday night at the Men's Basketball Awards Banquet.

Sophomore point guard Conrad Amba received the team's Most Valuable Player award. He led the conference in assists two years in a row and was an all-conference first team selection this year.

Another sophomore, Markese Freeman, was honored with the Best Defensive Player trophy.

Other trophies went to freshman standout Ken Jackson, who received the Coaches' Award for dedication and hard work. Kevin Mykleby automatically got the team's leading scorer award.

The Most Inspirational Player trophy went to sophomore Ron Fuller.

# Gymnasts take third at conference finale

By JANICE MILLER  
Associate Sports Editor

The LAVC Gymnastics team went out in style Friday, April 22, at the conference championships held at El Camino College.

The team finished third in the competition out of a total of five schools competing.

This year's gymnastics team will be the last team here at Valley, due in part to budget cuts and lack of school participation.

"We had to fight to keep the gymnastics team running this year," said Janine Williams, head coach of the women's gymnastics team.

President Mary Lee had the final say in canceling the team, who will no longer be allocated funds as in the past.

This year the Women's Athletic Department received \$80,000 as their budget for funding their inter-collegiate sports program.

The gymnastics team was one of eight women's sports that Valley had on campus this semester.

Valley is not the only school los-

ing its gymnastics program. Orange Coast and El Camino dropped their gymnastics programs as well.

Four schools are needed to make a conference, and without Orange Coast and El Camino Valley's only alternative to disbanding is running the gymnastics team on a club basis. To Janine Williams that would mean coaching on a voluntary basis.

The team saved their best for last, scoring the most points they have all season. Three of Valley's women

made All-Conference.

Deanna Drexler, a sophomore from North Hollywood High School, and Kathy Burd earned their way to the All-Conference second team. Wendy Henry received first team All-Conference honors.

The team having a late start had only four months to work out before their conference began. Williams pleased with the end results is sorry to see them dismount for good.

# Valley tracksters settle for second

The Monarch track team finished second in total team points (204) behind Antelope Valley (233) in the Mountain Valley Conference finals.

The tracksters, however, who won the MVC dual meet championship, placed over a dozen qualifiers in the So. Cal finals this weekend at Mt. San Antonio.

Valley took home four firsts in the field events. Vince Coleman won the javelin throw (196') and the pole vault (42.9) and the discus throw (133.4).

Sprinter Kelly Johnson finished third in the 100 yard dash (10.9) and second in the 200 yard dash (21.8). Tony Hosch took second in the 400 with a time of 49.2 seconds.

Others to qualify were high jumper Brian Mergenthal and the 400 relay team of Rahn Johnson, Ollie Simpson, Dwayne Fawls and Kelly Johnson.

The Lady Monarchs had another outstanding outing, which has become their trade mark this season. They seized four first place finishes, emerging as the class act of the MVC finals.

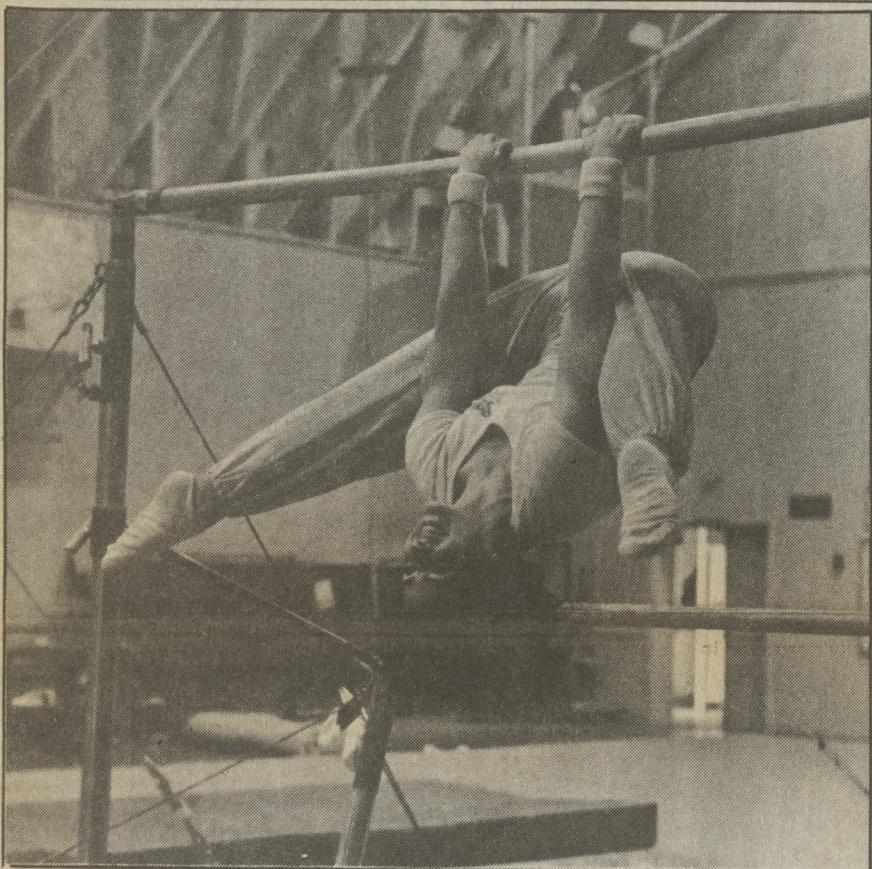
Finishing first were Sue Patterson in the 400 hurdles (64.4) and the high jump (5'8"), Kelly Cook in the 800 (2:18), and Cindy Hickman in

the 1500 (4:59). Simone Van Egmond wound up tied for second in the high jump (5'4") and Maureen Doderlein took second in the 400 (:61).

Also qualifying were high jumper Yvette Manfas, the 440 relay team of Michelle Whipper, Patterson, Maufas, and Doderlein plus the mile relay team of Cook, Patterson, Hickman, and Doderlein.

"The women did another great job but the men were only average," said assistant Coach James Harvey.

"After winning the dual meet title, we were the favorite to win the finals, the men just did not compete. It's disappointing but that's behind us now. We've had a great season and the important thing now is to get our kids into the states."



HANGING IN THERE—Valley's Wendy Henry, practicing on the uneven bars, was named to the All-Conference first team. The women finished third in the overall competition.

# Pitching falls apart as AV wins 13-3

By MARK BORGOGNONI  
Staff Writer

Just two days after beating Canyons in the biggest game of their season, the Monarch baseball team was hammered by Antelope Valley 13-3 last Thursday.

It happens so often in sports—a ball club will put so much effort into beating one team (in the Lions' case that team was Canyons) that they simply overlook an easier opponent such as AVC.

Whether it was a mental letdown or simply a case of complacency is not the issue; the Monarchs have no excuse for this loss. If there is any team in the Mountain Valley Conference that the Monarchs should have beat, it's AVC.

Freshman pitcher Rocco Bufolino was tagged with the defeat, his fourth setback this season. Bufolino worked just two and two-thirds innings, giving up seven runs and nine hits while facing only 14 batters.

Relievers Darren Connelly, Darrell Van Roy, and Don Spadoni all followed Bufolino on the mound, but didn't have any better luck, as the Marauders lit up Valley's pitching corps for 13 runs and 15 base hits.

Valley's only offensive bright spot came from second baseman Kevin Murphy. Murphy drove in all three of the Monarchs' runs, while keeping his hitting streak alive.

"A good team is bound to have a game like this once in a while, unfortunately, it happened when we can least afford it," commented Lion Coach Scott Muckey.

The Monarchs now find themselves in the sticky situation of not being able to control their own destiny. Valley must win its two remaining league games against Moorpark and Mission and hope Canyons drops at least one of its remaining three games.

If all the pieces fall into place, Valley must play one game playoff with Canyons to determine the second round champion. If the Monarchs capture the second half crown they will have to defeat the first round pennant winner, Canyons, in a three-game mini-series just to return to the state tournament.

It's funny how history has a way of repeating itself. Valley found themselves in almost the same situation last year. The only difference was the Lions had already secured the Metro Conference first half pennant.

There is no doubt that it will be a tough climb with plenty of "If's" to be answered "if" the Monarchs are to repeat as state champions. But one thing is certain: the 1983 L.A. Valley baseball team has not done anything the easy way.

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### Saturday, May 7

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Swimming—State Championships, All Day, TBA.

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Baseball—at Moorpark College, 1 p.m.

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GEORGE WILLIG—Shown being interviewed by Rod Linkous during a recent Valley College broadcasting class video taping, Willig (right) climbed the 1,350-foot World Trade Center in

Manhattan in 1977, using equipment he designed himself. The resultant publicity was "more than he had bargained for," he says now.

## He likes sleeping on air

By PEGGY WAGONER  
View Editor

George Willig likes to hang around.

He sometimes sleeps in a hammock suspended hundreds of feet up the face of a sheer rock cliff.

His favorite exercises strengthen muscles so he can "hang there for long periods of time without getting tired out."

And in 1977 George Willig hung suspended from Manhattan's 1,350-foot World Trade Center building as helicopters circled, sirens wailed, and New York's finest tried to talk him down.

Willig was not to be dissuaded. He continued his ascent into stunt history, becoming the first person to scale a skyscraper.

The escapade had first occurred to him as a throwaway thought.

"Someday somebody's going to climb that building," Willig, a climber since childhood, told a couple of rock-climbing friends.

The idea grew on him, he told interviewer Rod Linkous during a recent Valley College broadcasting class video taping.

Willig, a clean-cut, thirtyish man who looks like a young, dishwasher-blond Hugh Hefner, began design-

ing equipment which would fit into a metal track which ran up the building's side. Then an inventor for a "think tank," he had access to a machine shop.

After a year's preparation, he started the climb one morning at 6:30, an hour calculated to attract minimal attention. He was afraid someone would stop him.

He was "scared," he says cheerily. He couldn't understand why he wanted to climb up the side of a building.

He started up the structure, each foot encased in a sling attached to the device. He moved one device up while his weight rested on the sling suspended from the other.

He was about 30 feet up when a security guard called the police, who seemed to look askance at the entire enterprise.

"You idiot!" yelled one. "You'll get yourself killed!"

Willig felt he was "really in trouble," he said. He thought of "all the things cops represent: Mom and Hershey bars and authority, and I was defying them."

He moved up as fast as he could, convinced he would have only this one shot at his goal.

He had to get beyond range of a cherry picker "before they could get

one there" to pluck him from the side of the building, he said.

Fire equipment and helicopters appeared. An airbag was inflated when he was 400 feet up. It "looked like a postage stamp. If I'd fallen, I'd never have hit it," Willig said.

Three and a half hours later, he got to the top of the building feeling "very sobered."

There were a "bunch of cops" on the roof. Still hanging from the side of the building, he told them his story. He hadn't bargained for all the attention he was getting, he said.

As it turned out, it was a slow news day and he became something of a hero. The cops wanted his autograph. It was the first intimation of his new celebrity status. Then they arrested him.

"Anyone having that much fun gets arrested," Willig observes philosophically. Charges were dropped and he wound up on talk shows.

Today, George Willig is in "film and TV production" and has produced a television series called "The Boldest Dream."

He doesn't have enough time to climb as much as he'd like to these days, he said.

And hanging around does take time.

## History shows biases

By SUSAN GOLANY  
Staff Writer

"American history, especially that of the Southwest, is taught in a biased way," declared Dr. Gloria E. Miranda, associate professor of Chicano studies at Valley College. "Our history is taught as if it started on the East Coast and later spread westward. Actually, this view describes only the spread of Anglo-Saxon culture."

She believes history texts give scant coverage to the role of the American Indian and the Spanish colonial settlers, as if human culture didn't exist in America until the arrival of the Anglos. In reality, the Anglos were the "newcomers" and the last of these three peoples to dominate the Southwest, she explained.

Miranda herself is of Mexican-American descent. "I was born and raised in south-central Los Angeles and didn't move away from the barrio until I was in my twenties," she said.

After earning her bachelor's degree from California State University at Dominguez Hills, she was awarded a Ford Foundation fellowship which enabled her to do research toward her doctoral dissertation. Within five years, she received her Ph.D. degree from the University of Southern California. It was then the early '70's, and she was one of the few Chicanas ever to have earned a Ph.D. degree.

Now in her mid-thirties, Miranda has taught at Valley since 1974. Though a full-time teacher here, she still does research and writes scholarly papers. Her area of specialization is family life and the role of women in pre-1850 California.

"In the future, I may want to develop more research topics, but for now, I'm very content with teaching," she said. "About 60 to 70 percent of my students are of Chicano descent, mostly in their late teens. I identify with them and remember how it was when I started college."



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GLORIA MIRANDA—Chicano Studies associate professor, says there is a "wealth of source material" awaiting researchers of early California life. The Spanish-Americans were "very thorough record keepers," she believes.

She explained that Valley's Chicano studies program began in 1969. Interest peaked in the mid-'70's when 16 classes were offered.

Currently, there are about 150 students enrolled in the five classes

being offered. She attributes the decline to both budget cuts and the current trend away from the social sciences and toward technology.

"Many Valley students are unaware that Chicano Studies 7 and 8 on Mexican-American history can be used to fulfill the graduation requirement of the state for a course

in U.S. History and the Constitution," she said.

As for revising our perception of American history, Miranda says that there is a wealth of source material awaiting researchers of early California life.

## Job Placement Bureau has all types of jobs for all types of personalities

By LEAH M. CROSS  
Staff Writer

How would you respond to an ad like this?

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Jobs are available in fields ranging from clerical work to architecture, which are just a couple among the many listed in the placement bureau.

The bureau has been a part of LAVC for more than 10 years. It's located in the north end of the Campus Center.

The bureau's services are available to LAVC students and alumni.

Working in the bureau are Sharis Cross, placement coordinator, Mara Sonderling, interviewer, Irene Jusko, work-study advisor, and about eight student workers.

Cross, who has worked at LAVC for 11 years, said that about 200 students per day come to the placement bureau for assistance.

"The easiest jobs to fill are those that call for extras in a movie while the hardest are those in housekeeping," Cross said.

As far as hiring is concerned, the hottest field to pursue is computer science, according to Cross.

So where do jobseekers who wouldn't know a byte if it bit them go for help?

To the Job Fair.

The Job Fair is an annual event at LAVC which is sponsored by the placement bureau. Employers in the business community visit the campus to talk about their companies in the hope of recruiting students. This year, the event is scheduled for Tuesday, May 24, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

When the Job Fair is over and students have filled out their ap-

plications, there are oral interviews to think about. What should you say?

According to Mara Sonderling, the bureau's placement interviewer, one cardinal rule is "Never say you need the money."

Whatever a student's status, he or she may check with the placement bureau to see if there are any good job prospects. Perhaps an ad like

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